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ALL ABOUT SILVER.

A Further Decline in the Price of the White Metal.

IEWS OF PROVINCIAL MEN.

Opinions Vary, But All Agree the Matter is Most Serious—The Extra Session of Congress Will be Handed by the Matter.

Denver, June 27.—The price of silver has again declined, to as far as 77c to 78c and lead 56c from \$3.00 to \$1.10. This further decline is but unexpected and unexpected, as the other dispatches show that India has not yet adopted the gold standard and the best posted silver button buyers in New York say that India will still require silver. It is believed that as soon as the temporary scare is over there will soon regain much of the loss of the past two days.

Reports from the mining camps are very encouraging, in view of the big increase in price. Most of the big mines will continue to work, even if there is no favorable reaction. The smaller, too, will be possibly excepted of some of those in California, we are not affected. They have enough ore and contracts on hand to keep them busy for several months.

The cabinet meeting this morning decided not to do anything to the meeting of Congress in September, and a session before that time is not desired for.

A sentiment among silver men is that the present crisis will be a silver and conservative men in Washington say that it would be especially disastrous at the present time to repeat the panic-making cause.

The Times' Washington correspondent writes as follows this afternoon: "Silver men are not as heartened at the action of India in closing her mint to the coinage of silver, as they regard it as put to the general scheme of England and New York to circulate silver and drive it out of existence as a money metal. They still rely on the good sense of the American people and do not believe they will become panic-stricken at this step in the move of the gold bugs."

THE CABINET MEETING.

Congress Will Not Meet in Extra Session Before September.

Washington, June 27.—Two hours were consumed by the cabinet discussing the new phase of the silver question and other matters demanding attention. The two conferences yesterday afternoon and evening between the President and Secretary Carlisle, simplified matters to some extent. Through the discussion it was decided to take a wide range, it was necessary to bring back to the important and unimportant the point, that the executive had no power in the premises, Congress alone being able to legislate measures for relief.

It was stated in the cabinet that the monthly price of silver must be continued, or else Congress must be convened in special session immediately. As the President has decided to call Congress together in the early part of September to deal with the financial situation and manufacture no intention of changing his stated purpose, the project of an earlier session of Congress, it is understood, was dropped.

So far as the continuance of the price of silver under the Sherman law was concerned, it was pointed out that all the more than two months remained before Congress would convene in extra session and that during the intervening time the silver price would be on the \$5,000,000, or a comparatively small amount in view of the previous purchases. That the best way to deal with the question was to await the course of events for two months longer was generally agreed to, and it was with this view in mind that the meeting adjourned.

Secretary Carlisle, in response to a request to express his views on the financial situation as affected by the action of India on silver, pointedly declined to say anything further.

Since June 6 the Treasury department has gauge \$6,000,000 in gold, the net gold to-day being \$6,085,907. The lower point reached was on June 6 when the gold had decreased to \$5,981,050.

PRESIDENT ANDREWS.

His Opinion Sought on the Silver Situation.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 27.—President Andrews of the Brown University, who was one of the American delegates to the Brussels conference, in an interview in regard to the action of the Indian government stopping the free coinage of silver said: "It is impossible in this country to bring any relief to the silver situation in England. It will make the condition of foreign exchange still more stable as between the traders of England and the big mercantile and exchanges of Bombay and Calcutta, that is to say, it will arrest the inflow of Indian silver money and its value as bullion, just such as exists between the silver money of the United States and France and the world pending but not the result of the system if persisted in would be to impose on the full prices, such as prevail over the entire gold using world. Further the value of silver in the rupee being so much greater, there would be an overwhelming temptation to introduce the rupee from other countries. It could be copied exactly and made of the same weight and fineness. It would be good a coin in every respect as no one minted in India."

Another difficulty arises in connection with the habit of the Indian people of turning their savings into ornaments of silver. A native Indian does not speak of these as worth so many rupees, there being no difference in his mind between the silver in the form of an ornament and in the form of a

coin. Bracelets are often used for money. It is said these miners in India amount to \$10,000,000 in value. Now suppose these miners are closer to silver, this vast property is at once depreciated and it is very possible that such a scheme can be carried into effect without riot and disturbance.

"As for America, I believe this action will be fortunate. Silver will drop in gold prices and it may be necessary to repeat the Sherman law. It will then drop still more and Great Britain will then be forced to take conciliatory action with other nations."

Discussed in Parliament.

London, June 27.—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Robert lacey asked the government whether now the value of the rupee having been raised by the coining of the Indian mint to the value of the coinage of silver, compensation would be given to those persons in India who had entered into contracts to pay rupees without knowing that the rupee would be stopped and the rupee raised. Mr. lacey propounded the further question, "What is to be done with the silver?"

Mr. Gladstone replied that a measure modifying a silver currency may affect pecuniary values and in these current transactions. He was not aware that it had ever been the usage to make a statement subject to compensation, and he did not see how such a usage could be consistent with a statement. Continuing, Mr. Gladstone said he was confident that the government of India was using the means in its power to ascertain the public sentiment.

The Right Hon. George C. Goschen, who was in charge of the treasury in Lord Salisbury's cabinet, as well as the government of India, has the power to coin rupees as the needs arose. Mr. Gladstone reported that if the public had not been consulted, the government of India was using the means in its power to ascertain the public sentiment.

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THE COWBOY RACE.

The Long Ride to Chicago Ended Yesterday Forenoon.

CHICAGO, June 27.—The first of the cowboy racers, Tom Berry, on the chestnut, "Ponson," reached the World's Fair entrance at 9:30 a.m. to-day. He left Freeport, Ill., at 9:30 a.m. last night and made the last 50 miles in just two hours.

Mounted on his pony, Berry rode up to Buffalo Bill's grounds at the fair entrance, on Sixty-fourth street, and was greeted as the winner of the now famous race from Chicago, Neb. At Freeport, Berry abandoned his other pony, Sandy, who had carried the rider a good share of the distance. At 1:05 p.m. he passed through Elgin, and continuing on his journey, reached Chicago's suburbs shortly after daylight.

Berry was far ahead of his associates, Smith and Gresham, at Freeport two hours before him, and A. Bryant was reported at De Kalb at 1:30 p.m. to-day.

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THE WESTERN SLOPE.

The Western Colorado Congress at Montrose and its Proceedings.

FUTURE GARDEN OF THE STATE.

Some Editorial Impressions of a Journey on the Other Side of the Great Divide—Splendid Resources of a Magnificent Region.

Special to THE GAZETTE:

MONTROSE, Colo., June 2.—The fifth session of the Western Colorado congress opened this evening with a good attendance. Many came in on the afternoon trains from the railroads. All were cordially greeted by the reception committee, who are doing their utmost to make everybody have a good time. Before supper the cogitated newspaper men were taken in carriages for a short drive past some of the fruit farms in the neighborhood.

The formal proceedings began at 8 o'clock in the Opera house. Mayor J. E. McCullough made an address as we come on to the city and the response was made by Co. Edward F. Brown, president of the Congress. In his address President Browne stated that a material reduction in the rates of freight to Western Colorado had been made within a short time at the instance of the Congress. Fault of the fault found, with the railroads is unfeigned, and it is better to use friendly efforts than to get a rail road or to pass laws against them. The World's Fair display of Colorado's mineral wealth is to the State and won't have been made worse without the help of some very lenient of the Congress. He agreed to a resolution that the railroads be given a right of way to Denver for nothing or passenger train time. There is no use raising taxes that people don't want. They can want fruit and we'll pay for it.

In conclusion Mr. Jeffers referred to some friends from Mary and the Alabama to visit him and urged that to them and to everybody the members of the congress should give information about their section and keep giving it continually.

Special to THE GAZETTE:

MONTROSE, Colo., June 23.—A though the grand banquet of last night did not adjourn until 11 p.m., the Congress met in the morning promptly at 10 o'clock, and transacted a great deal of business before noon. The Committee on Assessments reported an amount of money have been sent out and wants are due to Messrs. Coffey and Engles. This report brought in a live discussion and some personalities were in evidence. The chairman of the Railroad committee made several personal explanations, saying he had never had any favors from railroads. The committee was finally continued until the next Congress. The treasurer reported \$6,000 on hand in a printing contract, \$6,000 coming due.

Co. Edward F. Brown is a plain, bunt man, not a orator, but his speech was sincere and oratorical, and was heard with intense interest. Co. and Platt and C. L. of Denver, are not here yet, the former is expected to arrive, but Co. and Platt will not be here. I am sent a paper on the beet sugar question which will be left tomorrow.

The members of the reception committee are as follows: Captain Cary, S. S. Sherman, W. A. Johnson, C. S. G. Jr., Dr. Sharp, Dr. G. S. D. C. Coffey, Dr. C. L. of Denver, W. B. Upton, C. L. Townsend, L. C. Allen, R. C. Ditch, Judge J. C. B.

The Delta county delegation are about the most active and enterprising men in town. They have brought along specimens of the fruit, grain and other raised in their country that demonstrate the wonderful richness and fertility of their land and the present fine condition of their crops. Among the delegation present are Mr. R. D. Barr, County Judge Newbury, Dr. McLean, Dr. S. M. A. King, Dr. A. Drane of the Independent, Geo. Stephen and C. A. Vuitas, county surveyor.

The outlook for the fruit crop this year is excellent. Pears, pums, plums, apricots and apples were never looking better, cherries are a ready ast ripening and the strawberries are doing well.

Special to THE GAZETTE:

MONTROSE, Colo., June 29.—The session of the Western Colorado Congress began this morning with the reading of communications by the secretary, among whom was a telegram from Mr. E. E. Lee, a letter of regret from Co. and Platt, and a letter from Mr. Johnson, the president of Durango, a paper on pyrite mining, written by Dr. G. S. D. C. Coffey, and a paper on the coal of Montrose, written by Mr. C. L. of Denver, and another from Mr. McCullough of Durango, Vice President. Mr. Neumann of Durango, was reelected Secretary. Mr. E. C. Brown of Montrose, Treasurer. Resolutions of thanks to Montrose for cordial hospitality were passed and the convention adjourned at noon.

Plans for 1884 were certainly made. Never has the congress been more harmonious and entertainments. The recorder was a credit to any city in size, appointments and services. Honor Rollin of the Enterprise saw that newspaper men were well taken care of and citizens generally were most cordial and hospitable.

most directly facing toward the railways. There has been no popular interest about mining monopolies, but a cordial recognition of the great benefit that the roads have conferred upon the State.

Secretary Johnson announced that samples of the samples prepared by him for extensive circulation are ready for distribution.

President Coffey of the Denver and Rio Grande addressed the Congress. He said that he always feels the heathester sympathy with the fellow citizens and wants to be a long their property. He referred to the certain welcome he received two years ago at the Congress and to his ignorance at that time of the wonder of resources here and announced his complete conversion to the most sanguine view of the possibilities of this section. The great mistake he said was that so many Colorado men made in building up their hopes upon silver. There are other and broader industries that must be developed—coal and iron especially. The prosperous nations are the nations founded on coal, and iron—the manufacturing nations. Toward the eve of opening of the Congress he urged it to use all its influence. Prosperity founded upon silvering in its nucleus is more permanent and more stable than it based upon only one. The production of coal, iron, marble and cut stones, the manufacture of some products into articles of use and the growing of fruit and agricultural crops is not a bad idea, and with mining of the precious metals. A few producers of farm and cattle, ore and coal, that are needed for human use are now raised right here in the city. What can be done here can be done in a number of other places in the State. The coal of this must ought to be sent to Denver. He promises that if a coal or tree of them are in Western Colorado he will be willing to send them to Denver for nothing or passenger train time. There is no use raising taxes that people don't want. They can want fruit and we'll pay for it.

In conclusion Mr. Jeffers referred to some friends from Mary and the Alabama to visit him and urged that to them and to everybody the members of the congress should give information about their section and keep giving it continually.

Special to THE GAZETTE:

MONTROSE, Colo., June 23.—A though the grand banquet of last night did not adjourn until 11 p.m., the Congress met in the morning promptly at 10 o'clock, and transacted a great deal of business before noon. The Committee on Assessments reported an amount of money have been sent out and wants are due to Messrs. Coffey and Engles. This report brought in a live discussion and some personalities were in evidence. The chairman of the Railroad committee made several personal explanations, saying he had never had any favors from railroads. The committee was finally continued until the next Congress. The treasurer reported \$6,000 on hand in a printing contract, \$6,000 coming due.

A long series of increases in the amount of a resolution present in a special committee that the Ballarat Mine, Forest reserve ought to be abandoned and the protection against it removed. The main grounds presented for this were that the reserve extended beyond the boundaries expected, that in conflict with irrigation and railroads, it encloses a part of an Indian reservation which has never been paid for.

Genwood Springs was selected as the place of next meeting. After discussion the representation was fixed at one delegate from each Board of Trade and each incorporated town, and additional delegates to be appointed by town commissioners to such a number that there will be one for each unit represented at the last session.

The accessibility of meeting annually is a decided advantage. The matter on the table. The time of the next meeting was set for Nov. 3.

Geo. W. Crowe of Durango, Vice President, Mr. Neumann of Durango, Vice President; Mr. E. C. Brown of Montrose, Treasurer. Resolutions of thanks to Montrose for cordial hospitality were passed and the convention adjourned at noon.

Plans for 1884 were certainly made. Never has the congress been more harmonious and entertainments. The recorder was a credit to any city in size, appointments and services. Honor Rollin of the Enterprise saw that newspaper men were well taken care of and citizens generally were most cordial and hospitable.

OVER THE RANGE.

From Mountain Snows to Orchard Blooms at Montrose.

Editorial Correspondence:

It is simply impossible for one to write of Western Colorado who has never been there before without a few words about the journey, and what one sees on the way. Marcellus Pass and the Black Canon of the Gunnison are doubtless more than twice as hot as the Black Canon of the Colorado. The Black Canon of the Colorado is a great mining State, no one should forget that it is also a great agricultural and horticultural State.

The principal feature of the Congress—the topic which aroused the most intense interest was the Colorado display at the World's Fair. Chief Ward of the mining exhibit must have had his day during the morning. Such a general "boasting" as he got was enough to raise any man's thermometer up to the burning point. General complaint was made of the State exhibits, and it was more than indicated that the money that was appropriated had been spent corruptly. The formal resolution on this topic has a ready been sent to you by wire.

Notwithstanding the absence of heavy rain, the speakers that was announced, the Congress has certainly been a success, so socially and as a business meeting.

fore breakfast—it was impossible to avoid comparison with other mountain scenes, and especially with the one just viewed. And the impression received only confirmed the opinion, and since former, that every mountain country has its own peculiar attractions, and while one person may prefer one, and another a different one, he enjoys the most who admires them all, and appreciates the distinctive beauties of each as their full value.

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CHAPTER XXV.

Griseri rose to meet his visitors, who greeted him gravely and sat down opposite to him so that they could look at his face while speaking. Prince Savelli naturally spoke first.

"We have come to you," he said, "upon a very difficult and unpleasant affair. In the first place, I must beg you to listen to what I have to say as calmly as you can, remembering that we have not come here to quarrel with you, but to act on behalf of a party. This being the case, we ought to be treated as ambassadors, to be heard and to be answered."

"You speak as though you were about to make a very disagreeable communication," answered Griseri. "The presence of Signor Grondona either shows that you intend to make use of what I may say, or that your business is of a legal nature. If the latter supposition is the true one, it won't be much better that we should leave the whole matter to our respective lawyers rather than run the risk of useless discussion. But if your lawyer is here to save me and make notes, I would point out that I have a right to resent such observation, and to request you to find some other means of informing me of your meaning. As you tell me that you are acting on my behalf, however, and claim personal immunity, so to say, for yourself, I am willing to listen to you and to consider what you say as proceeding from me and not from you. But in no case have you any claim to be answered. That is the most I can do toward helping you with your errand. I urge for you, whether you will execute it or not."

"I will certainly try not to go away without saying what I have come to say," replied Savelli, fixing his bright, spectral eyes upon Griseri's face. "We are here to represent Donna Adele Savelli—let that be understood, if you please. She wishes you to come over to us a certain letter of the nature of a confession, which you found at Gerano about two years and a half ago and which you still hold."

Griseri was less surprised than might have been expected. His face grew slowly pale as he listened, steadily returning the speaker's gaze.

"I promised you personal immunity from the consequences of what you were about to say," he answered slowly. "It was a rash promise, I find, but I will keep it. You may inform Donna Adele Savelli that although it is common to say in the world that she has actually 'lost' such a letter as you mention, have never seen it, nor have any knowledge of its contents. Further, I demand, as a right, to be told upon what imaginary evidence she ventures to bring such an outrageous accusation against me."

The Advocate Grondona smiled, but the two noblemen preserved an unmoved manner. Of the two, Gerano was the more surprised by Griseri's answer. He had believed that a letter, even if it was in the two respects a remarkable contrast to him. He was imperturbably good-tempered in the first place, and, in the second, he was extremely devout. But there were resemblances also, and it was for these that Griseri held him. He was honest to a fault. He had more than once proved himself to be coolly courageous in some of his master's dangerous expeditions. Finally, he was discretion itself, and resolute in the highest degree. That such an otherwise perfect creature should have Griseri's was on to be expected. Bonifazio was as obstinate as his master, but that it would not prove to have the importance his daughter attached to it. Prince Savelli produced a bundle of papers from his pocket.

"I am quite prepared," he said. "I will state my daughter-in-law's case as accurately as I can, and as nearly as possible in her own words, a great part of which I have here, in the form of notes."

"It is understood that Donna Adele Savelli is speaking, gentlemen. On that understanding you have my permission to proceed. I will not interrupt you."

Savelli began to speak, and, as he had promised, he stated the case as he had heard it from Adele, on the whole, very much as she had summed it up in her own mind before going to him. Griseri sat with folded arms and bent brows, listening to the wonderfully connected chain of testimony so brought against him with all the courage and enthusiasm he could command.

"Have you come?" he inquired in a voice sinking with anger, when Savelli had finished.

"Yes," answered the latter coolly. "I believe that is all."

"When I have to say that a more villainous calumny was never invented to ruin any man. Good morning, gentlemen." He rose and the three others were obliged to rise also.

"And so you positively refuse to give up the letter?" inquired Savelli; there was an angry light in his eyes, too.

"I have given you my answer already. Be good enough to convey it to Donna Adele Savelli."

"Are you aware, Signor," said the lawyer, stepping in front of his two clients, "that upon such evidence as we possess you are liable to be indicted, for an attempt to extort money from the Princess Adele Savelli?"

"You are not privileged, like these gentlemen," said Griseri, white to the lips. "If you venture to speak again my servant will silence you. I have a ready intent that this interview is ended," he added to Savelli and Gerano.

The three went out in silence and left him alone. With characteristic coolness he sat down to recover from the violent shock he had sustained, and to reflect upon his future conduct, before sending for Ubaldo and consulting with him. He had almost expected the demand to restore a document he did not possess, but he was not prepared for the well-constructed story by which Griseri had their lawyer had been persuaded of his guilt. The lawyer's words had pained the whole affair in a light which showed how thoroughly convinced the men were of the justice of their accusation and Griseri understood well enough that Savelli intended to take legal steps. What these steps might be, Pietro had not the least idea. He rang for Bonifazio and sent him out to buy the Penna Code. It was probably the wisest thing he could do under the circumstances, as he did not even know whether, if he were arrested, he should be admitted to bail or not. He saw well enough that an order for his arrest might very possibly be issued, Grondona was far too grave and earnest a lawyer to have uttered such a threat in vain, and was not the man to waste time or words when action was possible. If he had spoken as he had, he had done so for his client's advantage, in the hope that Griseri might be frightened at the last minute into giving up the letter. In that way all publicity and scandal could have been avoided.

But it was evident that the die was cast, and that war was declared. More than ever he was glad that Laura Arden was not in Rome. The thought that if she were present she

had quite ready. I think I could make him come to me."

"I think you could," said Griseri, with a smile, as he looked at his friend.

The huge, giant strength of the man was imposing in itself, apart from the terribly determined look of the iron features and deep-set eyes. Few men would have cared to find themselves opposed to San Giacinto even when he was perfectly calm, save any, perhaps, if his anger was roused. The last time he had been angry had been when he dragged the forger, Arno de Messina, from the library to the study in Palazzo Monzambano, more than twenty years earlier.

His hair was turning gray now, but there

was no outward sign of any diminution in his powers, physical or mental.

"In any case," he said, "some time must elapse. I will need the greater part of the day to get a warrant of arrest."

Griseri would have been glad to end his suspense by allowing his friend to go directly to Savelli, as he had proposed to do. But, considering what he had already known, he was not ready to do. Pietro did not wish to involve him in the affair any further than necessary.

"I am of any use I can be for my lawyer," added Griseri, who, aware of San Giacinto's superior experience in legal matters.

"There is no time to lose," answered Griseri. "Come and talk with me tomorrow night, and we will have a lawyer ready for you to go to the trial, without the expense of a fee."

What is more, Griseri insisted upon giving his friend a ride in his carriage, returning from the Villa Borgognone, six times round the Palazzo, and, finally, to the entrance of the Corso, before taking his leave, so as to give him time.

"We are friends," he said, "and I am good for you."

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Accordingly Griseri was sent for. He was very grave when Griseri had received an urgent message from him.

"But the more I hear of it, the more I like you," said Griseri, and, had copies of my answers made, ought to prove at once that they even then Donna Adele was willing to attempt it. But Ubaldo only suggested his confidants.

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BOOK IMPROVEMENT.

Association to Further the City's
Interest Started.

PLAN FACTS ABOUT WATER.

Water on Rainy Days and no Water on
Dry Days—Scarcity of Fire Plugs—
Committees Appointed for
Further Work.

A meeting of the citizens of the North End was held in the College, on June 1, to discuss the matter of forming a Town Improvement association and to consider other matters relating to the welfare of Colorado Springs and its people.

A representative body of citizens was present and the discussion was an interesting and animated one throughout. The "city fathers" were more or less discussed, and the two representatives of the First ward were present and not found wanting in the discussion.

Mr. J. A. Hayes was selected as chairman of the meeting and Mr. Otis S. Johnson was named as secretary.

The first speaker was Mr. J. L. Armit. He outlined the purpose of the meeting as that of forming an association for town improvement purposes in which there should be a general membership and interest of citizens of all sections. He believed there was a necessity for the citizens of the city to be better informed upon municipal affairs and that they should take a greater interest in public matters. There were many pressing needs in the city which the association could look into and remedy and he hoped the matter would meet with the approval of all those present. He closed by offering a resolution that it be the sense of the meeting that no permanent organization be effected this evening, but that a committee of five be appointed by the chair to consider plans and scope of the organization and report at another meeting to be held Saturday, July 8.

In the discussion following, Mr. E. C. Ensign made the point that he thought that such an organization should include citizens from all parts of the town, from the South End as well as the North End, and at his suggestion the committee were authorized to extend a general invitation to all citizens to become a part of the organization.

The chair then appointed the following as members of the committee: Messrs. Allen, Newberry, Bonbright, Bierle, Bissell, and Armit, Waite, Jennings and Esan.

Mr. Frank White then said that one of the principal purposes of the meeting was to discuss the question of water supply. Some improvement had been promised, but that was only temporary. He moved that a committee of five be appointed to investigate the matter and to consider what improvements were demanded in the water supply of Colorado Springs.

The discussion then became general. Mr. Henry Esan arose and stated that there was need for the people to be better informed as to what was going on in the city. The new High School, he said, had cost \$150,000 when the contract price had been set at \$75,000. Then he said the cables had been supplied with Sharp's repeating rifles at a cost of \$800. He then considered an extravagance. The Buxton pipe line, about which so much had been said, had been constructed at an expense of \$80,000 to secure pure water, but it was practically money thrown away and was useless because the water did not come through the pipe where it branched off to go to the lake, but ran outside and got to the settler below in that way and therefore was subject to impurities.

Mr. W. A. Pratt thought that the committee should be requested to confer with the City Council, get the exact status of the water supply and also find out the intentions of the Council, in regard to it.

Mr. Armit said further that the plan of the proposed organization was to keep the people informed on just such matters; to have no more work go on in the city; that everything done by the authorities be known.

There were too many bonds to the city business affairs he thought. The City Council was to know of everything that was being done and to discuss it in advance, not after it had been accomplished, and it was too late to do any good. It was a notorious fact that many of the best men of the city had refused to go into the City Council. The Council should be supported and aided by the citizens of the city and only in this way could the ends aimed at be secured.

Mr. Pratt thought it would be well to confer with the Council, as they had a lot of valuable data secured from the expert who was here and from other sources and it would be well to consult them.

Mr. W. E. Wilson called attention to the fact that there was an most entire absence of city water for irrigating purposes at the North End, and he thought that to have irrigating water was essential to the beauty of the city. Some arrangement should be made to secure it.

Alerman Dunbar said that he believed the city had acted wisely in building the Buxton pipe line and that it was doing good service. It had been completed on the advice of the committee of well-known citizens who thought that it was a good thing to do after they had carefully examined the matter. He believed that it was doing good work and that the water was pure and good. He also stated that the new High School, at least, exclusive of the cost of a few minor furnishings, \$90,000 instead of \$50,000 as claimed.

Professor Stryby was called upon as one who could throw some light on the subject of the water supply. He said he was in hearty sympathy with the purposes of the organization, to extend to the city business the help of the citizens. He thought in the past a mistake had been made in withholding from the Council the aid they would have had. It was not to be expected that the Council would go ahead and expend large sums of money for improvements without the support of the citizens. There was need of individual interest and the organization should extend to all parts of the city. A great deal of work had been done in the matter of water supply; a great many facts had been collected which would be very useful to the committee.

"Water in abundance," said he, "is necessary. The point is well taken in regard to city water." It was a necessity. The estimates of Mr. Herring were perhaps under-rated than over the amount of water per capita used in the city, for the city probably used as much water as any in the State, if

not in the United States. The reasons for the scarcity of water were obvious. There were large stretches of lawns being watered from the domestic supply instead of from the irrigating ditch and again the pipes were too small. If the city could buy or acquire ditch rights and have the irrigating done by this means there would be enough water. The want of water was in summer when everybody was irrigating. The pipes were too small and it would be necessary to enlarge them. It would cost a good deal of money. One of the things for the committee to do was to find out for the citizens what would go in the expense of enlarging. A surveyor can be thought to be required to acquire ditch rights. The matter needed a thorough investigation in all its phases, to get at all the facts.

Mr. Stryby was asked why the full report of the committee appointed to look into the water supply was not published and he said that some of the facts were "secret." Continuing as said, "We are in a condition where every one who has looked into it considers it dangerous—very dangerous. If a large fire should break out, while one of those big winds was blowing, a certain disaster throughout the city would be swept by it. Fire brands as large as my hand have been carried from a half to three-quarters of a mile; I have put them out myself. They were carried six or eight blocks. I never hear the fire bell ring without trepidation. I regard the fire department as being quite as efficient as possible under the circumstances. Those facts we have had, said, but we did not deem it wise to make them public. They are in the service of the committee if they desire them."

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LET HER SCREAM.

Remember the Fourth of July and see if she is a parrot. The way to do this will be to remain at home and help the Sons of Veterans and other patriotic organizations make the day memorable. The arrangements made for the celebration are quite complete and promise a regular oompah celebration. The speech by President Andrews of Brown university will be delivered either in Alamo or Acacia park about 10:30 o'clock and will be preceded by a parade.

Marcelline Dana will be the marshall of the day. President Scioom will offer the College park for the fireworks in the evening. A feature of the fireworks exhibit will be a fiasco club, and this will be in charge of the High School.

The three days' encampment of the S. of V. at Alamo, will also be a success.

Comrades Work and Reward of the G. A. R. will have charge of the eating arrangements of the encampment, serving meals three times a day.

The new edition of the book of views "Around Pike's Peak" has been published by the Gazette Printing company and is having a large sale. The following complimentary and unsolicited notice from a lady in this State is only one of a number which have lately reached this office: "Around Pike's Peak" came to me and I am much pleased with the varied hints, also the additional excursions."

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Daniel, the proprietor, is the son of Dan Currie, in the city for the first time in a year as he has been mining at Cripple Creek. He is down to help the books in their contest at Manitou next week.

William Wright and Marvin L. Crowe were convicted for insanity by juries in the County Court yesterday and a verdict pronouncing insanity in both cases was returned. Wright is a negro.

Governor White has issued a pardon for "Cog" Watson of this city, to take effect July 4. He was sentenced in 1892 to fifteen years and a half in the penitentiary for rape.

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